

Notice No.: 95-009
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Applies to: PERS employers
Subject: Changes in reporting standby pay

Effective July 1995, All Standby Pay is Reportable

Beginning with July 1, 1995, earnings, all compensation earned by a member while in standby status must be reported on your monthly transmittal report.

Formerly, compensation earned by a PERS Plan 1 or Plan 2 member while in standby status was reportable only if the member was required to remain at a specific location or in its immediate vicinity. The 1995 Legislature has expanded the definition of reportable compensation to include all pay earned while the member is in standby status. Under the new definition, a member is in standby status when the employer requires the member to be prepared to report immediately for work, if the need arises.

Reportable pay while in standby status was referred to as *location pay* in DRS Notice 94-009. As defined in that Notice, location pay still applies from August 1994 through June 1995.

The Department of Retirement Systems (DRS) is in the process of repealing the Washington Administrative Codes (WACs) that cover standby pay, 415-108-361 and 415-108-462. Because of the legislative change, the WACs are no longer applicable.

Questions?

If you have questions about reportable compensation, contact DRS Membership Services at (360) 753-3113.

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